MILES LUCAS

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EDUCATION

University of Hawai'i at Manoa

August 2019 - Present

Institute for Astronomy

Ph.D. Astronomy

Iowa State University of Science and Technology

August 2015 - May 2019

B.S. Physics, Magna Cum Laude

Overall GPA: 3.80/4.00 Major GPA: 3.82/4.00

Minor in Astronomy

Minor in Computer Science

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] T. L. Campante et al. "TESS Asteroseismology of the known red-giant host stars HD 212771 and HD 203949". In: ApJ (Submitted).
- [2] C. Lisse, M. Sitko, and et al. (including M. Lucas). "HD 145263: Time Domain Observations of Rapid Silica Debris Disk Formation via Extreme Space Weathering". In: ApJ (Submitted).
- [3] D. Huber et al. "A Hot Saturn Orbiting An Oscillating Late Subgiant Discovered by TESS". In: arXiv e-prints, arXiv:1901.01643 (Jan. 2019), arXiv:1901.01643. arXiv: 1901.01643 [astro-ph.EP].

EXPERIENCE

University of Hawai'i at Manoa

August 2019 - Present

Dr. Karen Meech

Teaching Assistant

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Iowa State University of Science and Technology

May 2017 - July 2019
Dr. Massimo Marengo

Iowa Space Grant Undergraduate Research Fellow

- Analyzing and fitting circumstellar debris disks to study planetary formation
- Developed novel statistical fitting package in python (Starfish)
- Applying fitting to over 90 spectra collected from NASA's Infrared Telescope Facility

National Radio Astronomy Observatory

May 2018 - August 2018

NSF REU Research Assistant

Dr. Kumar Golap, Dr. Takahiro Tsutsumi

- Simulating and analyzing radio image data
- Developing methods to combine interferometer and single dish data
- Analyze combination methods with methodical and scientific criteria
- Create open-source package to allow any user to test their combination scheme

Iowa State University of Science and Technology

Undergraduate Research Assistant

January 2017 - July 2019

Dr. Matthew Wetstein

- Designing and performing tests on new photodetector technology
- Designing and programming software for proprietary electronics
- Collaborating on international ANNIE neutrino research group

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Computer Languages Python, Julia, C++, C, R, Java

Software & Tools Git, Gitlab, Github, LaTeX, Excel, Heroku, Digital Ocean,

HTML, AWS, Azure

HONORS, AWARDS, AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Iowa Space Grant Undergraduate Research Fellow Fall 2018-Spring 2019

NASA Astronomy Photo of the Day

July 13, 2018

Iowa Space Grant Undergraduate Research Fellow Fall 2017-Spring 2018

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Dean's List Fall 2015, Fall 2016-Spring 2019

Iowa State University Aerospace Engineering "Lighter than Air" competition winner Spring 2016

College of Engineering Dean's List Fall 2015

Boy Scouts of America Life Scout Award

EXTRA-CIRRUCULAR

Member of Iowa State University Physics and Astronomy club August 2015 - Spring 2019

Perform community outreach at Iowa State University planetarium shows August 2015 - Spring 2019

Drummer in Iowa State University Jazz Bands August 2015 - Spring 2019

Vice President of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity

January 2018 - May 2018

Sergeant at Arms of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity

January 2017 - January 2018

Snare drummer in Groove Drumline at ISU Spring 2016

Snare drummer in Iowa State University College Football Varsity Marching Band Fall 2015